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Sir:

In response to the Patent Office Action dated August 6, 2001, please
amend the above-identified application as follows:

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please amend claims 8 and 15 as follows:

8. (Amended) An electrically activated valve comprising:
- a valve stem holding a valve member interacting with a valve seat on a valve housing;
 - a valve spring providing a force in a first direction on said valve;
 - a value guide for guiding said valve stem in said valve housing;
 - an activating device which, when activated, provides a force in a direction opposite said first direction to axially move said valve stem and said valve member in said valve housing and said valve member interacting with said valve seat on said valve housing to thereby determine flow through said valve;

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